

Title of Report:	Petition – Road Safety on B4009 between Newbury and Hermitage	Item 5(b)(ii)
Report to be considered by:	Executive	
Forward Plan Ref:	N/A	

Corporate Plan Priority:	CP 5: Ensuring that the street environment is clean, well maintained, and safe
The proposals contained in this report will help to achieve the above Corporate Plan priority by: Improving Road Safety following development of appropriate measures.	

Purpose of Report:

To update the Executive on the petition requesting measures to address road safety issues on the B4009 between Newbury and Hermitage.

Recommended Action:

To note that this length of road is being assessed as part of the Local Safety Scheme Programme for 2004/05.

Reason for decision to be taken:

Not Applicable.

List of other options considered:

Not Applicable.

Key background documentation:

- The petition and supporting letters
- Local Safety Scheme Programme
- Appendix A

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Supporting Information

1. Background

- 1.1 A petition was presented to the Executive on 13 May 2004 and included 27 completed responses to a locally organised survey, when local residents expressed their concerns about the traffic issues on the B4009 from Newbury to Hermitage.
- 1.2 The B4009 between Shaw Hill and its junction with Priors Court Road at Hermitage is approximately 3 miles in length and is subject to a 50mph speed limit over most of its length, although there are sections of 30 mph and 40 mph speed limit.
- 1.3 In the latest three year period there have been 14 recorded injury accidents which have resulted in 2 fatalities, 1 serious and 11 slight injuries being received.
- 1.4 This length of road and the accident details will be fully assessed as part of the Local Safety Scheme Programme for the current financial year. Local Members and stakeholders will be consulted on any proposals that arise as a result of the assessment.

2. Current Situation

- 2.1 The B4009 has been identified for consideration of traffic management measures as part of the Local Safety Scheme Programme. The appropriateness of the current speed limits will be reviewed as part of the annual village speed limit meeting to be held on 14 June 2004.
- 2.2 The petition organiser and those residents who included their names and addresses on the survey forms have been informed that their concerns will be addressed as part of the Local Safety Scheme Programme for 2004/05 and that detailed consultation will take place in due course.
- 2.3 The letter sent to residents is attached as Appendix A.

Appendices

Appendix A - Letter sent to local residents.

Consultation Responses

Local Stakeholders:	Not Applicable
Officers Consulted:	Not Applicable
Trade Union:	Not Applicable